

any better. I happen to concur with what they are doing. And so I go along with it. But I am sorry Senator DeCamp isn't here to listen to my explanation because not being very much of a farm boy as he likes to let on sometimes, he could learn something. But the point I want to make is this. It is never too late in this Legislature to do that which we have worked for many, many years for to do, that is to give property tax relief. I would just like to say again, and I think that I have sat with the Revenue Committee many, many times and listened to the arguments before that committee, and it is an almost impossible task, it is almost an impossible task. It is kind of interesting. I have at my desk here a copy of a Lincoln Journal editorial. We all know the Lincoln Journal doesn't make any mistakes. They refer to a bill we had way back in 1977. They spoke in glowing terms of that bill. Unfortunately since that time, they have reversed themselves. They speak in disparaging terms about it. If we would have passed it then, Cal, I don't know what they would be doing now. But the point I want to make is this, at any one given day or time or year the points of view of this body, the points of view of the people outside the body, the points of view of the other body, the press, all change, so you have to view the situation in the context that we look at it today. I think it is reasonable and I would say this, that when those property tax notices come out next fall, I don't think any of us have any idea of where they are going to be at. I can tell you one thing, they are going to be very disruptive to the serenity of the population of the State of Nebraska. I would say also that those individuals, and I consider myself one of them, are not going to be spending so much money this next year because of the lower income, are not going to be burdened as much with the extra half cent as they are going to be with the property tax. So I would ask you to go ahead and adopt the amendment and advance the bill.

PRESIDENT: Senator Newell. Is Senator Hoagland around? The question...I think we do not need the question but thank you very much. Let Senator Vickers close, Senator Vickers and Warner, would you allot your time as you choose for closing?